

### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: A CALL TO ACTION

# Press Conference at Lowell General Hospital on Tuesday, September 1, 9:00am-10:00am

## Communities Join Forces to Prevent Substance Abuse

What: Press Conference - Greater Lowell Kickoff:

October Is National Substance Abuse Prevention Month

September is National Recovery Month

**When:** Tuesday, September 1, 2015 9:00am-10:00am

Where: Lowell General Hospital - Saints Campus, First Floor Conference Rm.

One Hospital Drive, Lowell, MA 01852

Light refreshments will be served.

Lowell, MA – August 21, 2015 – September is National Recovery Month and October is National Substance Abuse Prevention Month across the country. Substance abuse continues to grow, spreading misery and driving up the crime rate.

On Tuesday, September 1, at 9:00am, a press conference will take place at Lowell General Hospital, Saints Campus – Lowell, to inform the media of the Greater Lowell Health Alliance's Substance Use and Prevention Task Force efforts, and to highlight upcoming community events. The event is sponsored by the Greater Lowell Health Alliance in partnership with Middlesex Community College.

Special attention will be given to substance abuse prevention meetings planned around the region in September and October.

Substance abuse impacts the Greater Lowell region hard. But a strong coalition has grown to address the problem and lead the fight against this scourge. Please join us for an informative hour!

### Speakers will include:

- Lowell City Manager Kevin J. Murphy;
- Terrence B. Downes, Esq., Executive Director, MCC Program on Homeland Security;
- Hon. Marian T. Ryan, Middlesex District Attorney;
- Kerrie D'Entremont, Executive Director, Greater Lowell Health Alliance;
- Leaders from surrounding communities and partnering agencies.

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